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Survey Questionnaire Covering Economic Research
in ORR and AFOIN-3A

SUBJECT

The Communications Services Industry in the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

OUTLINE OF ORR RESEARCH COVERAGE

All economic aspects having to do with the planning, plan fulfillment, intentions, capacities, locations, capabilities, vulnerabilities, recuperabilities of the Sino-Soviet Bloc communications services civil operating facilities, wire, radio, and postal. Included are inter-relationships between civil and noncivil facilities. Also included are the inputs in money, man, and materials to provide the services and the outputs in service to the economy, as well as detection of radical changes in resources as potential indicators of hostile intent. Excluded from primary responsibility are research and development and production of communication equipment and material inputs. Excluded is precise pin-pointing of locations of facilities.

ASPECTS OF ORR COVERAGE WHICH OVERLAP WITH SIMILAR SUBJECT MATTER COVERAGE
IN AFOIN-3A

Communications stations, offices, and centers - location, capacity, type.
Lines and links - terminal points, routes, booster stations, relay stations.

Production (traffic) - by station, office, or center, to serve as guides to relative strategic importance.

Principal users - location, kind, order of magnitude, identification of heavy users of communications services; to serve as guides to relative target importance of communications facilities serving those users.

ASPECTS OF ORR COVERAGE WHICH DO NOT OVERLAP WITH AFOIN

Stations, offices, and centers - details on equipments, capacities, hours of usage, limiting factors on use, source and quantity of power, labor, and other operating inputs and the dependability of such supplies.

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ASPECTS OF ORR COVERAGE WHICH DO NOT OVERLAP WITH AFOIN - Continued

Production (telegrams, conversations, postal units) - as a measure of the capability of the industry to meet the traffic handling needs of the regional and national economy and as a basis for determining cost of production.

Inputs - Planned and plan fulfillment of expansion of facilities in terms of materials, power, equipment, and labor to determine economic feasibility and effects upon other segments of the over-all economy.

KNOWN ASPECTS OF AFOIN COVERAGE WHICH DO NOT OVERLAP WITH ORR

Detailed pin-pointing aspects of station, office, and center locations.
Structure and identifying features of buildings.

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